



Ottawa Police Services Board
Special Meeting

CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES 55 #2

THURSDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2022 3:00 P.M.

By Zoom

Present: Councillor E. El-Chantiry, B. Johnson, Councillor J. Leiper, D. Nirman, R. Swaita, S. Valiquet

Others: K. Ferraro, Executive Director; D. White, Legal Counsel; R. Guest, Mayor's Assistant; Hannah Logan, Board Assistant, G. Wight, Ministry of the Solicitor General; J. Sahota, Ministry of the Solicitor General

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ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2. UPDATE ON INTERIM CHIEF ROLE

Board Chair Eli El-Chantiry advised the Board that he had been working in conjunction with Mayor Jim Watson and City Manager Steve Kanellakos regarding Matt Torigian's temporary Chief of Police contract having been signed under former Chair Diane Deans' delegated authority.

Since the change in Board membership, Mr. Torigian had advised Mayor Watson that he would be withdrawing his contract. Originally, Chair El-Chantiry had hoped to have a discussion with the Board about this matter in greater depth, however other resources had been informed of the change in plan and as such Chair El-Chantiry felt the need to ensure the Board was apprised.

Mr. Torigian had intended to begin work as Chief of the Ottawa Police Service effective Monday, February 21 and had returned home early with his family from a vacation in Florida to do so. The signed contract spanned until the end of 2022, however upon seeing the changes to the Board's membership Mr. Torigian offered to withdraw.

A point was raised that perhaps the Board ought to cover Mr. Torigian's travel costs.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this item for information.

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OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF IN CAMERA SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.